

Ottawa, May 21, 1907.

Dear Chief,-

In reply to your communication of the 13th instant, in regard to the question of disposition of timber on the Lower French River Indian Reserve, I beg to say that, as previously advised, you as Chief of the Sheguiandah Band have no right to be considered in any way in connection with the disposition of the Lower French River Reserve, or of the timber thereon.

The Indian Act provides that a surrender of any Reserve or of the timber thereon may be taken from the Indians resident on or near the Reserve in question, and only such resident Indians are entitled to vote on the question of surrender.

Your obedient Servant,

J. D. MCLEAN

Secretary.

Chief James Pahpewash,
Sheguiandah, Ont.